

Senate Resolution 1117

By: Senators Jones of the 10th and Ramsey, Sr. of the 43rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring Reverend Dennis Mitchell; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Reverend Dennis Mitchell has recently been selected to serve as pastor of
3 Greenforest Community Baptist Church after an exhaustive five-month search; and

4 WHEREAS, he was born in San Francisco and raised in El Cerrito, California, and he was
5 ordained into the gospel ministry in 1991 at the Emanuel Baptist church in San Jose,
6 California; and

7 WHEREAS, for nearly 20 years he has remained steadfast in his calling to build the kingdom
8 of God through ministerial service, serving as a Christian educational director at "Exciting"
9 Singing Hills Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas, a Sunday school growth consultant wit the
10 Baptist General Convention in Texas, as a Black Church extension associate director with
11 Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention in Montgomery, Alabama, and
12 must recently as associate pastor and interim pastor at Greenforest; and

13 WHEREAS, prior to answering the call to the ministry, he had a successful career as a
14 banker, holding positions ranging from local branch manager and regional sales manager
15 with Wells Fargo Bank to vice president of First Interstate Bank, both in San Francisco; and

16 WHEREAS, his salient spiritual gifts are encouragement, administration, and teaching, and
17 he is passionate about African American churches accepting the leadership role in the gospel
18 mandate; and

19 WHEREAS, he is married to Pam Griffin, a native of Dallas and a Cobb County public
20 school teacher, and the couple has three daughters, Shayna, Erin, and Andrea.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
2 honor and commend Reverend Dennis W. Mitchell upon being selected to serve as pastor of
3 Greenforest Community Baptist Church.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
5 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Reverend Dennis W. Mitchell.